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Letter To The Editor

Appomattox, Va.
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Mr. Lloyd Vaughan, Editor
Times-Virginian
Appomattox, Va. 24522

Dear Mr. Vaughan:

I want to commend you and your staff on your fine newspaper and especially on the excellent coverage given to Thomasville Furniture Industries' announcement of a new facility.

You and all the people of Appomattox are to be commended for the fine response to the survey and to those volunteers who assisted in the registration we are most appreciative of their time.

I have never felt more warmly received by any community, and I look forward to my next visit to Appomattox.

Sincerely
Carlyle A. Nance, Jr.
Vice President
Personnel Services

The Editors
The Times-Virginian
Appomattox, Va. 24522
Gentlemen:

God's will. It is God's will that every one know that he or she is His (God's) son or daughter just as Jesus is and also one with Him and each other just as Jesus is.

According to the sayings of Jesus there is none good but the Father and all of his (Jesus') thoughts, words and deeds of goodness were those of the Father. He knew our Father worked through him and he knew himself to be the son of Man and the son of God.

Now, as the son of Man and the son of God and the brother of Jesus, I know that God works through me and everyone else. I also know that all men, from the beginning of Man's time on earth, have been the sons and daughters of God.

Apparently, Jesus was the first son to realize that he enjoys this relationship of oneness with God and his neighbor. He also knew that every one else was as himself, but his generation could not at that point in time accept this revelation of truth. So, he taught them according to their beliefs and what they could accept based on those beliefs. We likewise, I say according to the beliefs of those with whom I speak, but in addition, I also know that from that starting point I, as the instrument of my Father within, can help every one accept one's sonship or daughtership of God, our Father.

Should I become convinced that what I have said thus far is not true and that every one, including myself, is not the son or daughter of God, I would immediately ask God, following the example of Jesus, to make every person who has ever lived, every person who is now living, and every person who will ever live, Jesus-like that is, the sisters and brothers of Jesus and His daughters and sons and to use me as His instrument to help my sisters and brothers realize this.

'Knowing that God answers my prayer as I believe, I would immediately set out to give every one the good news that they are the spiritual, mental and physical sisters and brothers, of Jesus and of one another and the sons and daughters of God, our Father. I would also point out that they will begin to receive greater benefits from this relationship as soon as they can accept the belief that they have it and think, speak and act in accordance with this belief.

When one believes and knows that one has this relationship, he will start looking for the good

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The Pastor Speaks

THE BURNING BUSH

We are constantly under a strain to devise new methods, new plans, new organizations to advance the Church and its work. God's plan is to make much of the individual, far more of him than of anything else. Men are God's method. The Church is looking for better methods; God is looking for better men. What the Church needs today is not more machinery or better, not new organizations or more and novel methods, but men whom the Holy Spirit can use - men of power; men mighty in prayer.

No man is greater than his prayer life. The pastor who is not praying is playing; the people who are not praying are straying. The pulpit can be a shop-window to display one's talents; the prayer closet allows no showing off. The secret of praying is praying in secret. A sinning man will stop praying, and a praying man will stop sinning.

Can any deny that in the modern church setup the main cause of anxiety is money? Yet that which tries the modern church the most, troubled the New Testament Church the least. Our accent is on paying, there was on praying. When we have paid, the place is taken; when they had prayed, the place was shaken! For this kind of prayer there is no substitute.

Just as in atomic energy, modern scientists have touched a new dimension of power, so the Church has to rediscover the unlimited power of the Holy Spirit. Books on prayer are good, but not enough. As books on cooking are good but hopeless unless there is food to work on, so it is with prayer. We must learn to pray, and we must pray to learn to pray. While sitting in a chair reading the finest book in the world on physical health, one may waste away. I beseech you, let prayer nourish your soul as meals nourish your body.

Richard C. Brackin, Pastor
Liberty Baptist Church,
Appomattox, Va. 24522

THE BIBLE SPEAKS

BY LAWRENCE W. ALTHOUSE

THE DYNAMIC MYSTIC

Lesson for August 20,1972

Background Scripture: John 17: 1-20; John 15: 1-11.
Devotional Reading: John 14: 12-21.

"Dynamic" . . . "Mystic"

There are two words that just don't seem to go together. The mystic, the man of prayer and meditation and deep devotion, seems anything but "dynamic." The dynamic man, the man always in action, doing something, pursuing some goal, never appears to have time for the deeper life of the spirit.

There is a disturbing tendency to separate Christians into these two categories today. On the one hand there are those who believe the essence of Christian discipleship is found in a life of doing battle with all the problems that surround us. On the other hand, there is the camp that seems somewhat irrelevant, content to seek an everdeepening life of the spirit.

The False Dichotomy

Although very pervasive, this is a very false dichotomy. One does not have to be one or the other. In fact, to be quite accurate, a Christian must be both. If he is only one and not the other, he is not a true disciple of Jesus Christ. For Jesus is the true blending of both these aspects of man's religious nature. Jesus was a man of prayer and a man of action. He was a mystic, plumbing spiritual depths unimaginable to most of us, yet he was a dynamic man who is best remembered because of something he did on a cross.

A friend of mine decided to leave her church and devote her time to working with poor people in a nearby housing project. She had become disillusioned with a church that only talks about helping the helpless. Today, however, several years later, she is disillusioned. Her sincere desire to help others has burnedout, the victim of countless disappointments and defeats.

What she has found in her own experience is an age old truth: nothing is dissipated so quickly and painfully as our desire to help others, because the reality of working with people is less romantic than the idea. We lose our motivation because people do not turn out to be as lovable as we had imagined.

Another way of looking at this is the analogy of the vine in John 15. It is true we must do something, we must bear fruit, but we cannot continue to bear fruit very long unless we are drawing our power from the vine. The branch that is cut off the tree soon withers and becomes useless. So it is with Christ's disciples. They can not continue to be of service to others, unless they are drawing strength and power from a deep spiritual relationship with Christ. To try to bear fruit without being part of the vine is hopeless.

Jesus was and calls us to be both.

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Debbie and Janice are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. ...Abernathy, Jr., of Route 4, Appomattox.

...LLYWOOD

...rs. J. L. Tor... Mrs. James Conner ...ere guys last week ...and Mrs. Torrence's ...and daughter, Mr. ...Frank Hancock and ...Richmond.

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Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bondurant, Jane and Jimmie Bondurant, Mrs. Francis Brown, Tom and Suzanne Brown of Marrietta Ohio, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Covington of Lynchburg last week.

Mrs. Charles Hasenkrat and Mrs. Joe Baldwin of Richmond spent Thursday with their sister, Mrs. M. L. Covington. They were also Covington called in the Wingfield and Babgy houses in the afternoon.

We were very sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. Lorraine Chernault Jennings last week. Mich sympathy is extended her loved ones.

...rs. Edward Lennon spent Friday with her aunt, Mrs. C. R. Banton. Mrs. John Goin and Gary visited Mrs. Banton Saturday afternoon.

Guests in the home of Mrs. Charlie Bagby Tuesday were Mr. F. O. Covington, Mrs. Francis Brown, Tom and Suzanne Brown, Mr. and Mrs. James Bondurant, Jimmie Bondurant, Mrs. W. L. Covington and Mrs. M. L. Covington.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wingfield, Miss Julia Wingfield and William Watson visited Mr. and Mrs. David Austin and family and Mr. and Mrs. Willard Johnson and family Sunday afternoon.

STONEWALL

Ye Belong to Christ. Mark 9:41

The week end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Wheeler were Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Ferguson, Sr. of Appomattox, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wheeler and Tommy, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Jones and family, Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Wheeler of Lynchburg Mr. and Mrs. Bob Wheeler, Steve, Linda, and Becky of Richmond.

Mrs. Nina Caldwell and Mrs. Elsie Caldwell were supper guests at a cook out at Mr. and Mrs. Earl Harris Sunday night. She entertained Mr. and Mrs. Don Kaeding, Mrs. James Jordon, Larry and Robert.

Miss Kathy Jones spent the week end with Miss Denise Keasling at the home of the Wheelers.

Mrs. Roy Bryant is in Charlottesville hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Moore Miss Sue Moore, Mr. Wayne Phelps, J. E. Herndon went on a fishing trip to N. C. Saturday.

The church picnic at Hebron was well attended Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Harrison have gone to Florida to live. They left Tuesday. Good luck I hope will fillow them. Phil will surely be missed at church.

Mrs. Lucy Drinkard was buried at Hebron Sunday; a large crowd attended. A fine Christian lady she was.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Toddy visited Mr. and Mrs. Hop Elliott Sunday.

Mrs. Richard Krantz and daughters visited her mother last week.

Miss Mary Elizabeth King has returned to Jackson, Mississipi to the hospital to further her education.

GLADSTONE

Thought for the Week:

Resisting prayer, we cease to fight.
Prayer keeps the Christian's armor bright
And Satan trembles when he sees
The weakest saint upon his knees.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Phelps are spending this week at their home here.

Mrs. Margaret Inge, from Lynchburg was the week end guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hampton Hunter.

Mrs. Carlyle Phelps is in extensive care unit in Lynchburg General Hospital. Friends and neighbors hope he may soon recover.

Mrs. Rachel Harris, Kelly Lynn, and Terri Lee, from Chesapeake, Va., were week end guests in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Carmody.

Mrs. Elizabeth Wright has returned home after spending sometime in the home of her sister, Mrs. Mabel Wilkinson, of Elkins, W. Va.

Friends were sorry to hear of the death of Mr. Kenneth Moore on Friday. We extend sympathy to the family. Relatives who attended the funeral in West Virginia were Mr. and Mrs. Graydon Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard Moore and Butch Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Moore and Jane, Mr. and Mrs. Mason Banton and Vick, Mr. and Mrs. Everette Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Burcher and Lewis Walker Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Martin, Lynn and Greg, and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmie Marshall.

Rev. and Mrs. Billy Washburn, Brent and Bill have returned home after a two week's vacation in North Carolina.

Mrs. Russell Moore has returned homeafter having undergone surgery last week at Lynchburg General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Hunter, from Brookneal, visited Mrs. Russell Moore on Sunday.

Mrs. Bea Wallace was the week end guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Wallace, of Farmville.

Sunday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Spiggle were Mr. and Mrs. Norman Snyder, Mrs. Julia Brown and Mrs. Willis Pillow, all from Lynchburg.

Mike Carmody is spending this week with his sister, Mrs. Rachel Harris, of Chespeake, Va.

Mrs. E. P. Taylor visited her sister, Mrs. Stella Moore, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Carmody were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Bolton,

Jaycees Floyd Williams and Danny Simpson are shown performing Radio Day announcing duties at WFLO.

Jaycee Radio Day This Sunday

On Sunday, August 20, 1972, the Appomattox County Jaycees will have their Sixth Annual Radio Day Project over WFLO ~~Reds~~ in Farmville. The Jaycees will be on WFLO at 870 on your A. M. dial from 6:30 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. and on your F. M. dial at 95.7 from 1:00 p.m. until 8:45 p.m.

The Jaycees have completed all ad sales and all ads have been written. As far as the Jaycees are concerned, the best part of their project remains and that is the acutal announcing duties they will perform this Sunday which will be live and unrehearsed.

The Jaycees would like to take this opportunity to thank each of the businesses that have made this program possible again this year. All businesses will be notified as to the tome they will be on the air.

In addition to the businesses, the Jaycees would especially like to than WFLO and its management and staff for the donation of their time and facilities for the sixth straight year.

The Appomattox County Jaycees urge you to listen to WFLO daily for the best in music, news, weather, sports and public service announcements. They also urge you to patronize the businesses that have made the Jaycee Radio Day Project another complete success this year.

Don't forget the date, Sunday, August 20, 1972 for Jaycee Radio Day over WFLO.

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